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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Seiichi Kishi, *et al.*

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Filed: March 20, 2002

For: STEERING APPARATUS

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R E S P O N S E

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Response to the Office action of September 23, 2003.

Applicants hereby elect the species of FIG. 5, with traverse.

R E M A R K S

Applicants have made the required election, above. It is submitted that action on the merits of claims 1-16 is in order in view of the fact that claim 1 is considered by the Examiner as being generic to all species. In the absence of pertinent prior art, allowance of claims 1-16 is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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